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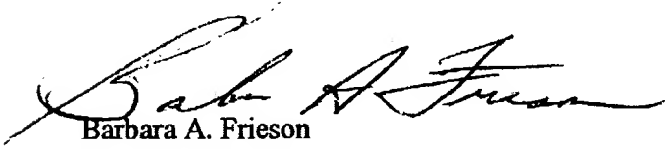
SUBJECT: Serial No. 09/659,737  
Re-Mailing of Office Action

Dear Mr. Shann Kerner, Ph.D.:

I am sorry for the delay in re-mailing of your office. I moved to a new location on Monday the same day that I talked with you and my system just crashed and I was unable to re-mail the action at that time.

I am now putting you office in the mail as of today 01/14/04, and the statutory period has been changed to showed that you have 3 months from the date of the letter to response to the office action.

Sorry for the inconvenient.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Barbara A. Frieson", is written over the typed name.

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